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IN THE CLAIMS:

Clean Version of the Amended Claims:

- 1. A method of growing a Gallium Nitride on a silicon substrate, including the following steps:
 - (a) providing a silicon substrate,
 - (b) removing the oxide layer on said silicon substrate,
 - (c) growing a buffer layer of a Silicon Carbon Nitride by supplying a gas mixture of H₂, SiH₄, NH₃, and C₃H₈ to a reactor maintaining at a specified growing pressure and temperature, during a specified length of growing time,
 - (d) growing a Gallium Nitride film upon the said buffer layer of said Silicon Carbon Nitride by providing source materials into a reactor maintaining at a specified temperature and pressure, with a specified rotating speed of said substrate.
- 2. The method of growing a Gallium Nitride on a silicon substrate according to claim 1, wherein the said silicon substrate is oriented in <100> or <111> direction.
- 3. The method of growing a Gallium Nitride on a silicon substrate according to claim1, wherein said silicon substrate is of either p-type or n-type, with a specific resistivity of any value.
- 4. The method of growing a Gallium Nitride on a silicon substrate according to claim 1, wherein, in said step (b), said oxide layer on said

- silicon substrate is removed by a Rapid Thermal Chemical Vapor Deposition system.
- 5. The method of growing a Gallium Nitride on a silicon substrate according to claim1, wherein, in said step (b), said oxide layer on said silicon substrate is removed by a Chemical Vapor Deposition system.
- 6. The method of growing a Gallium Nitride on a silicon substrate according to claim 1, wherein said C₃H₈ gas is substituted by CH₄, C₂H₄, or SiCH₆ gas.
- 7. The method of growing a Gallium Nitride on a silicon substrate according to claim 1, wherein said NH₃ gas is substituted by N₂.
- 8. The method of growing a Gallium Nitride on a silicon substrate according to claim 1, wherein the flow rate of said H₂, SiH₄, NH₃, or C₃H₈ gas depends on size of said reactor and gas pipe design of said gases.
- 9. The method of growing a Gallium Nitride on a silicon substrate according to claim 1, wherein, in said step(c), said growing pressure ranges from 0.1mTorr to 40Torr.
- 10. The method of growing a Gallium Nitride on a silicon substrate according to claim 1, wherein, in said step (c), said growing temperature ranges from 750°C, to 1500°C.
- 11. The method of growing a Gallium Nitride on a silicon substrate according to claim 1, wherein the chemical composition of said buffer layer of said Silicon Carbon Nitride ranges as: Si (1-x-y): 35-65 at.%, C(x) 0.1-25 at.%, N(y) 30-60 at.%.
- 12. The method of growing a Gallium Nitride on a silicon substrate

- according to claim 1, wherein, in said step (c), the thickness of said buffer layer of said Silicon Carbon Nitride increases with said growing time.
- 13. The method of growing a Gallium Nitride on a silicon substrate according to claim 1, wherein, in said step (c), said buffer layer of said Silicon Carbon Nitride is grown by a Rapid Thermal Chemical Vapor Deposition system.
- 14. The method of growing a Gallium Nitride on a silicon substrate according to claim 1, wherein, in said step(c), said buffer layer of said Silicon Carbon Nitride is grown by a Chemical Vapor Deposition system.
- 15. The method of growing a Gallium Nitride on a silicon substrate according to claim 1, wherein, in said step (d), said specified temperature ranges from 400°C to 1200°C.
- 16. The method of growing a Gallium Nitride on a silicon substrate according to claim1, wherein, in said step (d), said specified pressure ranges from 50 Torr to 700 Torr.
- 17. The method of growing a Gallium Nitride on a silicon substrate according to claim 1, wherein, in said step (d), said specified rotating speed of said substrate ranges from 10 rpm to 1000 rpm.
- 18. The method of growing a Gallium Nitride on a silicon substrate according to claim 1, wherein, in said step (d), a Metalorganic Chemical Vapor Deposition is used to grow a Gallium Nitride buffer layer in thickness of 100Å to 700Å at a lower temperature, and then to grow said Gallium Nitride film in thickness of 0.3μm to 5.5μm at a higher temperature.

- 19. The method of growing a Gallium Nitride on a silicon substrate according to claim 18, wherein, said lower temperature ranges from 400°C to 800°C, and said higher temperature ranges from 900°C to 1200°C, and both said Gallium Nitride buffer layer and said Gallium Nitride film are grown at a pressure ranging from 50 Torr to 700 Torr.
- 20. The method of growing a Gallium Nitride on a silicon substrate according to claim 1, wherein said source materials include: N₂, H₂, SiH₄, NH₃, TMGa (TrimethylGallium), TEGa (TriethylGallium), TMAl (TrimethylAlluminium), TMIn(TrimethylIndium), and CP₂Mg (CycloPentadienyl Magnesium).
- 21. The method of growing a Gallium Nitride on a silicon substrate according to claim 1, whereby a multiple-layered structure of Gallium Nitride/Silicon Carbon Nitride/Silicon substrate is fabricated.